CHAPTER 1
SECTION 20.1

PULMONARY SERVICES

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I. PROCEDURE CODE RANGE

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II. DESCRIPTION

Services provided for the diagnosis or treatment of conditions involving the lungs.

III. POLICY

Pulmonary services are covered when provided by a TRICARE-authorized provider for the diagnosis or treatment of a specific medical condition or set of symptoms.

IV. POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

Respiratory therapists are not authorized individual providers. Services provided by respiratory therapists are covered only when the therapist is an employee of a TRICARE-authorized institutional provider.

V. EXCEPTIONS

Pulmonary services provided as part of a program of cardio-pulmonary or pulmonary rehabilitation are not covered, except for pre- and post-lung and heart-lung transplant patients when preauthorized by the appropriate preauthorizing authority as outlined in the Policy on heart-lung and lung transplantation, Chapter 3, Section 1.6B, paragraph II.C. under POLICY.

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